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No. 2026

## PAUL GUST WILLIAMS

JULY 1 (legislative day, JUNE 27), 1952.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. McCARRAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

### REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 6070]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill (H. R. 6070) for the relief of Paul Gust Williams, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon, without amendment, and recommends that the bill do pass.

#### PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to grant to the minor adopted child of United States citizens the status of a nonquota immigrant, which is the status normally enjoyed by the alien minor children of citizens of the United States.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

The beneficiary of the bill was born in Finland on November 28, 1938, and was adopted in the State of Washington on September 30, 1950, by Mr. and Mrs. Clarke M. Williams, who are citizens of the United States.

Congressman Russell V. Mack, the author of the bill, submitted to the chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives the following information in connection with the bill:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, D. C., January 16, 1952.

Hon. EMANUEL CELLER,

Chairman, House Judiciary Committee, Washington, D. C.

DEAR MR. CELLER: Yesterday, I introduced H. R. 6070, a private bill or the relief of Paul Gust Williams, which has been referred to your committee.

For your information, Paul Gust Williams is presently the legally adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarke M. Williams, 2021 West Seventh Street, Aberdeen, Wash. The adoption took place in the Superior Court for the State of Washington for the County of Grays Harbor on September 30, 1950. Paul Williams'

name before adoption was Paavo Luomaranta, and he is presently residing at Voetti Hietakangas, Vasaan Laani, Finland.

I am enclosing for your permanent files copies of the adoption papers and the release by the parents of the child in Finland.

Sincerely yours,

RUSSELL V. MACK,  
*Member of Congress.*

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY  
OF GRAYS HARBOR

Decree of adoption. No. A-60

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF PAAVO LUOMARANTA, A MINOR

The above cause coming on regularly for hearing this day before the undersigned judge of the above-entitled court, upon the petition of Clarke M. Williams, and Ida Justine Williams, husband and wife, for leave to adopt Paavo Luomaranta, a minor child as their own; said petitioners appearing in person and being represented in court by their attorney, Lester Stritmatter; witnesses having been sworn and testified, and documentary evidence having been submitted.

I. And it appearing to the court that the petitioners are husband and wife, are of the white race, and have resided in the county of Grays Harbor and State of Washington for many years last past and now reside at 2021 West Seventh Street, Aberdeen, Grays Harbor County, Wash.; that petitioner Clarke M. Williams is a chemical engineer employed by Rayonier, Inc., Hoquiam, Wash., and that his annual income is \$6,000; that he is purchasing his home at the above address; that his net worth is approximately \$15,000; that he is 41 years of age and is in good health; that petitioner Ida Justine Williams is 46 years of age and that she is in good health; that she is a housewife.

II. And it further appearing to the court that Paavo Luomaranta is a male child born at Voyri, Finland, on the 28th day of November 1938; that Sylvi Luomaranta, mother of said minor, died on the 8th day of December 1938, at Voyri, Finland; that said child was born the issue of the marriage of the said Sylvi Luomaranta and Kusti Luomaranta; that said parents and child are of the white race.

III. And it further appearing to the court that the said Kusti Luomaranta, father of said child, resides at Voetti Hietakangas, Vasaan Laani, Finland; that he has remarried and has a large family by his present wife; that Petitioner Ida Justine Williams is related to said Kusti Luomaranta, and that he has expressed to her his willingness to have her bring said minor child to the United States and to adopt him; that said minor child is 12 years of age and has expressed the wish to live with and be adopted by said petitioners; that said Kusti Luomaranta has executed a release and relinquishment of his paternal rights over said child, which release and relinquishment is on file herein; that the court has heretofore approved said release and relinquishment.

IV. And it further appearing to the court that the report of "next friend" appointed to investigate and report as to the propriety and advisability of said adoption is favorable to said adoption, and that said report is on file herein.

V. And it further appearing to the court that the petitioners are properly able to care for and educate said minor child and that said child should be adopted by petitioners and treated by them in all respects as their own lawful child, and that such adoption will be for the best interests of said child, and that petitioners and all other necessary parties have agreed to the adoption and have been examined as required by law.

VI. And it further appearing to the court said petitioners Clarke M. Williams and Ida Justine Williams, husband and wife, appeared before the court and were found desirous of adopting said child as their own.

VII. And it further appearing to the court that this court has jurisdiction of the subject matter of and the parties to this action, and that the name of said Paavo Luomaranta should be changed to Paul Gust Williams, and the court being fully advised in the premises: Now, therefore, it is hereby ordered, adjudged, and decreed—

1. That said Paavo Luomaranta be, and he is, to all intents and purposes, and for all legal incidents, the child, legal heir, and lawful issue of said Clarke M. Williams and Ida Justine Williams, husband and wife.

2. That the name of said Paavo Luomaranta be, and it is, hereby changed to Paul Gust Williams.

3. That the State registrar issue a certificate of birth for said minor child, showing his name as Paul Gust Williams and his father's name as Clarke M. Williams and his mother's maiden name as Ida Justine Johnson.

4. That all of the records of the State registrar pertaining to this birth and to this adoption shall be secret and shall be disclosed only upon the order of court for good cause shown.

5. That all proceedings herein be and the same are hereby approved and confirmed in every particular.

Done in open court, this 30th day of September 1950.

WALTER POYHONEN, *Judge.*

Filed September 30, 1951, and entered on page 68 of Adoption Journal No. 1.

LETHA M. WAGNER, *Clerk.*

By MELBA AHLKOG, *Deputy Clerk.*

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF GRAYS HARBOR

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF PAAVO LUOMARANTA, A MINOR

Release and Relinquishment. No. A-60

Comes now Kusti Luomaranta, the natural father of the above-named minor, and makes the following release and relinquishment of his paternal rights over said minor, to wit:

I. That he is the natural father of said Paavo Luomaranta, a male child born at Voyri on the 28th day of November 1938; that Sylvi Luomaranta, the natural mother of said minor, died on the 8th day of December 1938 at Voyri; that said child was born the issue of the marriage of the said Sylvi Luomaranta and the said Kusti Luomaranta; that said parents and child are of the white race.

II. That Clarke M. Williams and Ida Justine Williams, husband and wife, residing at 2021 West Seventh Street, Aberdeen, Grays Harbor County, Wash., desire to adopt said minor as their own child; that said Kusti Luomaranta desires to release and relinquish to the said Clarke M. Williams and Ida Justine Williams, husband and wife all of his paternal rights to said child, believing that it will be for the best interests of said minor child if the said Clarke M. Williams and Ida Justine Williams are granted leave to adopt said child as their own.

Wherefore, the said Kusti Luomaranta hereby releases and relinquishes unto the said Clarke M. Williams and Ida Justine Williams, husband and wife, all his rights as father of said minor child, Paavo Luomaranta, and hereby consents to the adoption of said child by the said Clarke M. Williams and Ida Justine Williams, husband and wife, and consents to the change of name of said minor child.

KUSTI LUOMARANTA.

*Country of Finland, ss:*

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that on this 1st day of September 1950 personally appeared before me Kusti Luomaranta, to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the within and foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he signed the same as his free and voluntary act and deed, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

Given under my hand and official seal this 1st day of September 1950.

[SEAL]

T. W. NYHOLM,  
*Notary Public at Work.*

Filed in the office of county clerk, Grays Harbor County, Wash., September 15, 1950.

LETHA M. WAGNER, *Clerk.*  
By MELBA AHLKOG, *Deputy Clerk.*

## CERTIFICATE OF TRUE COPY, CAUSE No. A-60

STATE OF WASHINGTON,  
County of Grays Harbor, ss:

I, Letha M. Wagner, county clerk and ex-officio clerk of the Superior Court of the State of Washington for Grays Harbor County, holding terms at Montesano, which said court is a court of record having common-law jurisdiction and a clerk and seal, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and complete copy of decree of adoption and release add relinquishment in the matter of the adoption of Paavo Luomaranta, a minor, as the same remains of record in my office.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said court this 10th day of August 1951.

[SEAL]

LETHA M. WAGNER, Clerk.  
By GRACE CHINN, Deputy.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (H. R. 6070) should be enacted.

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